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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked

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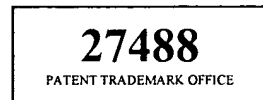
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		U.S. Official Action dated March 13, 2006 in U.S. Application No. 10/186,812
		Jakobsen, Thomas, "Advanced Character Physics," 2001, Proceedings, Game Developer's Conference 2001, pp. 1-17

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